

California Department of Veterans Affairs

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA VETERANS CEMETERY TO PARTICIPATE IN WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

EVENT: The California Department of Veterans Affairs will participate in "Wreaths Across

America" this weekend at the Northern California Veterans Cemetery to encourage Californians to remember, honor, and teach others the value of freedom in the world

today.

DATE: Saturday, December 15, 2007

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Northern California Veterans Cemetery

11800 Gas Point Road

Igo, CA 96047

(Approximately 10 miles west of Redding)

WHO: Local Veteran Service Organizations, elected officials, and the general public

CONTACT: Steve Jorgenson, Administrator

Northern California Veterans Cemetery

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BACKGROUND: What began in 1992 with a trailer load of wreaths, decorated by volunteers and laid at the graves of fallen soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery has now become a new mission: To Remember, Honor, and Teach others the value of freedom in the world today. www.wreaths-across-america.org/index.html

The Northern California Veterans Cemetery is the first state-owned and operated veterans cemetery in the Golden State. The cemetery serves the veteran population in eighteen Northern California counties and provides sufficient burial space for more than twenty years. Any eligible veteran, along with spouses and eligible dependents, may be interred at the cemetery. www.cdva.ca.gov/Cemetery/Default.aspx

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